

to General File. Mr. President, Senator Schmit had amendments printed in the Legislative Journal but I understand he wishes to withdraw those. Senator Schmit, do you want to withdraw your amendments?

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the purpose of this bill is to resolve the questions regarding the registration with the Banking Department of evidence of debt issued by a coop corporation in Nebraska and the principal reason for the introduction of the bill in addition to that is to reduce the workload of the Department of Banking in regard to such an issuance. That is all the bill does. I believe Senator Murphy has an amendment for the bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Murphy moves to amend section 8-1101 (12): Read. (See pages 1726 and 1727, Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR MURPHY: I have had circulated information relative to this amendment. Nebraska is the only state in the Union that authorizes this exemption of limited partnerships. The newspaper items attached I think rather clearly spell out that in many instances the citizens of this state are suffering an abuse that is totally unnecessary. This would require that this type of an operation must register with the state, that outside operations offering such securities must register with the state. At the moment, the sort of, I hate to use the word "rip offs", that are occurring occur because the only requirement is that they go to the local county, and it can be any county in which they want to establish an office, and simply file a form prescribing basically name and address of the promoter of this operation and that is all our statutes require. This exemption further handicaps the ability to protect the citizens of this state because inasmuch as we have exempted this limited partnership type operation from the classification as a security, the National Securities Exchange has no power over it either because there is no violation because of this exemption and I am simply asking that we strike that exemption. As I say, being the only state in the Union that has it and as is indicated it is being abused by some, and I would ask for the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? The question is the adoption of Senator Murphy's amendment. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of Senator Murphy's amendment, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: It is adopted. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I move advancement of the bill as amended.

PRESIDENT: Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance, Mr. President.